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1. EMBASSY'S REQUEST FOR COST DATA ON UPGRADE OF M48A2
TANKS TO M48A5 IS BEING PROVIDED DIRECTLY BY DA IN RESPONSE
TO REFTEL B.

2. WE HAD EXPRESSED HOPE THAT "THE FRG WOULD BEAR THE
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ENTIRE COST OF UPGRADING THE TANKS" BECAUSE THE FUNDS THE
USG IS REQUESTING FROM CONGRESS IN FY 77 AND FY 78 ARE
EARMARKED FOR PRIORITY EQUIPMENT FOR THE BRIGADE AND ITS
AIR SUPPORT ELEMENTS RATHER THAN TANKS. USG WILL NOT BE
IN A POSITION TO REQUEST FROM CONGRESS ADDITIONAL
AUTHORIZATION AND APPROPRIATION OF MAP FUNDS FOR PORTUGAL
IN FY 1977 OR FY 1978.

3. IN VIEW OF THE VERY HIGH COSTS INDICATED IN THE US ARMY MESSAGE AND THE SIGNIFICANT AMOUNTS OF US MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO PORTUGAL ALREADY PLANNED, WE AGAIN STRONGLY URGE THAT THE FRG UNDERTAKE THE UPGRADING IN THE FRG AND BEAR ITS ENTIRE COSTS, INCLUDING KITS, LABOR, AND TRANSPORTATION.

4. WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE FRG PLANS TO ACQUIRE THE CAPABILITY TO UPGRADE THESE TANKS AND DOES IN FACT INTEND TO UPGRADE MANY OF ITS M48A2'S TO A5.

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